

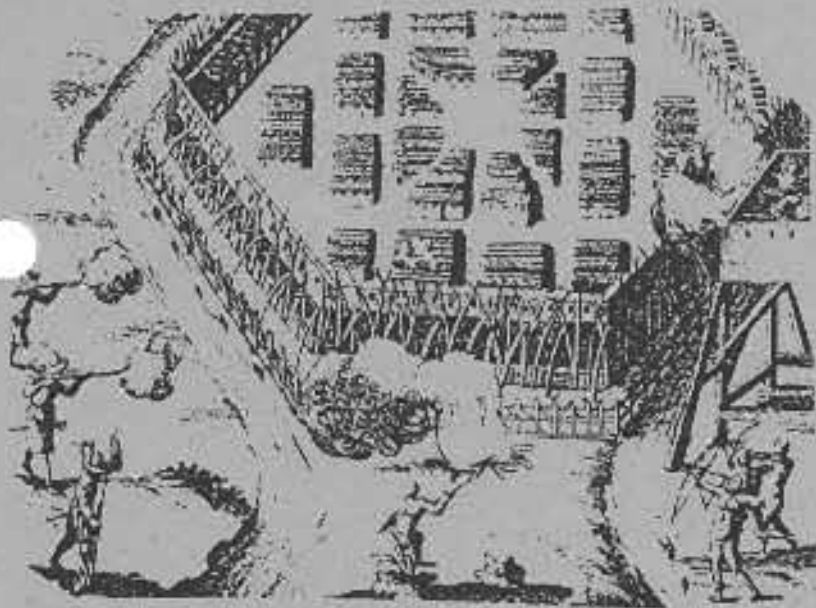
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NT1000: Introduction to Native Studies

Instructor: Duff W. Crerar, Ph.D

Course Outline: Fall 2001

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NT1000: Introduction to Native Studies
Credits: 3 (3hrs) Lecture/Discussion
Pre- and co-requisites: None
Room: A211

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Introduction: NT1000 is an introduction to both Native and university studies. Approximately half the term will be devoted to exploring the history of European Canadian-Native contact, tracing the origins of modern conditions and showing the strategies for self-determination, recovery and renewal adopted by Native leaders and nations. The remainder of the course will focus on contemporary Native issues from the 1969 White Paper to the recent Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples. The course also places a special emphasis on how to study, research and write in a university environment.

Texts: (in our bookstore)

Pauline Comeau and Aldo Santin. *The First Canadians: A Profile of Canada's Native People Today.*

Arthur Ray. *I Have Lived Here Since the World Began.* Key Porter Books, 1996.

Assignments and Grading: Questions will be assigned on the texts and a few additional readings. Your written answers to these take-home questions are worth 40%. In addition a short review (about 8 pages) of an historical article will be required in mid-October, and, after the Mid-Term Examination (worth 20%), a brief review (about 8-10pages) of one section of the Royal Commission will be due at the end of November. Each is worth 10%. There will be a final examination worth 20%, scheduled in the Christmas examination period.

Take-home Questions	40%
Review Essay	10%
Mid-Term Exam	20%
Royal Commission Review	10%
Final Examination	20%

Outline:

6 September: Getting Started

11 September: Theories and Beginnings

13 September: Native Societies before Contact -- Life on the Land

READ: Ray, Chapter 1

18 September: Native Societies -- A Life Worth Living

READ: Ray, Chapter 2

20 September: First Contacts

READ: Ray, Chapter 3

25 September: The Traders come

27 September: New France: Missionaries and Colonizers

READ: Ray, Chapter 4

- 2 October: Empires Collide
READ: Ray, Chapter 9, part 1.
- 4 October: British North America - War and Remembrance
READ: Ray, Chapter 9, parts 2 and 3.
- 9 October: British North America – Missionaries and Colonizers, again
READ: Ray, Chapter 10
- 11 October: The Western Fur Trade
READ: Ray, Chapter 5-6, 17.
- 16 October: The New People
READ: Ray, Chapters 7, 11.
- 18 October: The New Plains
- 23 October: Taking Treaty
READ: Ray, Chapter 13
- 25 October: The Last War Drum
READ: Ray, Chapter 14
- 30 October: The Policy of Bible and Plough
READ: Ray, Chapters 15-16
- 1 November: British Columbia – Seeds of Turmoil
READ: Ray, Chapters 8, 12, 18.
- 6 November: Recovery Begins
- 8 November: Roots of Strength
READ: Ray, Chapter 19
- 13 November: The Politics of Rage and Renewal
READ: Ray, Chapter 20; First Canadians, Chapters 1 and 10.
- 15 November: The Challenge of the Reserves
READ: First Canadians, Chapter 2
- 20 November: Skyscrapers Hide the Heavens?
READ: First Canadians, Chapter 3
- 22 November: The many roads to self-government.
READ: First Canadians, Chapter 4

27 November: Models for economic self-sufficiency.
READ: First Canadians, Chapter 5

29 November: Health - and Education
READ: First Canadians, Chapters 6 and 7.

4 December: For the Children -- Justice
READ: First Canadians, Chapters 8-9.

6 December: Retrospect and Assessment